GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
A B S T R A C T

Public Services- Municipal Administration & Urban Development – Allegation of evasion of stamp duty and registration fee by the management of M/s.Vikas Constructions, Amalapuram to a tune of Rs. 4.38 lakhs and other violations of Building Rules – Disciplinary Proceedings instituted against Sri Y. Venkat Ratnam, former TPS of Amalapuram Municipality - Punishment imposed - Appeal submitted – Appeal allowed – Modified punishment orders - Issued.

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (Vig.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 208 **Dated: 26-02-2018.**

Read the following:-

1. From the General Administration (V&E) Department, V.R.No.83 (903/V&E-D3/2006), dt.25.6.2007.
2. Govt. Memo.No.17059/E1/2007-2, dt:25.08.2007.
3. Proceedings of the Director of Town & Country Planning, A.P., Hyderabad, Lr.Roc.No.11313/2007/V.Cell-2 dated: 12.04.2012.
4. From the Hon'ble APAT., Hyderabad, Orders dated 25.04.2014 in O.A.No.2984 of 2014 filed by Sri Y.Venkata Ratnam, former TPS.
5. Govt. Memo. No.25829/E1/2012, dated 22.05.2014.
6. From the Hon'ble APAT., Hyderabad, Orders dated 07.07.2017 in O.A.No.6853 of 2014 filed by Sri Y.Venkata Ratnam, former TPS of Amalapuram Municipality.
7. From Sri Y. Venkat Ratnam, TPO., Appeal Petition, dated: 12.08.2017

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O R D E R:

Whereas, based on the recommendations of G.A.(V&E) Department in the reference 1st read above, the Director Town & Country Planning, Andhra Pradesh, have initiated disciplinary proceedings against Sri Y. Venkat Ratnam, former TPS, along with Sri I.V.Ramana Murthy, former TPBO of Amalapuram Municipality.

2. In the reference 2nd read above, the Government have requested the Director Town & Country Planning, Andhra Pradesh to take action against the above said officials, as recommended by V&E and furnish the Action taken report to the Government.

3. In the reference 3rd read above, the Director Town and Country Planning, has issued orders, imposing the punishment of stoppage of two annual grade increments with cumulative effect against Sri Y. Venkat Ratnam, former TPS, Amalapuram Municipality.

4. Aggrieved by the punishment orders issued in the reference 3rd read above, Sri Y.Venkata Ratnam, former TPS has filed an O.A.No.2984 of 2014 before the Hon'ble APAT., Hyderabad. The Hon'ble APAT., Hyderabad in its Orders dated 25.04.2014 in O.A.No.2984 of 2014 directed the respondents to consider the representation of the applicant dated 07.05.2012 and dispose of the same by passing appropriate orders in accordance with the rules, vide reference 4th read above.

5. In the reference 5th read above, the Appeal Petition dated 07.05.2012 of Sri Y.Venkata Ratnam, TPO, furnished by the Director of Town & Country Planning, A.P., has already been examined in detail and found that the applicant has not put forth any specific grounds to consider his appeal. However, in pursuance of the Orders of Hon'ble APAT., Hyderabad dated 25.04.2014 in O.A.No.2984 of 2014, Government have re-examined the Appeal and observed that the request of the individual deserves no consideration and accordingly, the Appeal made by Sri Y.Venkata Ratnam, TPO was rejected.

6. Aggrieved by the punishment Orders issued in the reference 3rd read above and consequent on the rejection of Appeal Petition in the reference 5th

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read above, Sri Y.Venkata Ratnam, former TPS has filed an O.A.No.6853 of 2014 before the Hon'ble APAT., Hyderabad with a prayer to modify the punishment on par with other delinquent official Sri I.V.Ramana Murthy, former TPBO of the case. The Hon'ble APAT., Hyderabad in its Orders dated 07.07.2017 in O.A.No.6853 of 2014 has set aside the impugned proceedings of punishment issued in the references 3rd and 5th read above and directed the 1st respondent (i.e., the DTCP., A.P., Guntur) to consider the case of the applicant for imposing a minor penalty on par with Sri I.V.Ramana Murthy, vide reference 6th read above.

7. In the reference 7th read above, Sri Y. Venkat Ratnam, TPO has submitted another Appeal Petition, requesting to modify the penalty imposed against him on par with punishment imposed against other delinquent official in the case.

8. Government after careful examination of the Appeal Petition of Sri Y. Venkat Ratnam, former TPS of Amalapuram Municipality and keeping in view the orders of Hon'ble Andhra Pradesh Administrative Tribunal in the reference 6th read above, hereby allow the Appeal of the Sri Y.Venkata Ratnam, former TPS and modify the punishment of stoppage of two annual grade increments with cumulative effect to that of "stoppage of two annual grade increments without cumulative effect".

9. The Director of Town & Country Planning, A.P., Guntur, shall take further necessary action in the matter, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

R.KARIKAL VALAVEN
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri Y. Venkat Ratnam, former TPS, Amalapuram Municipality **through** the DTCP,AP, Guntur.
The Director of Town & Country Planning, A.P., Guntur.

Copy to:-
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The General Administration (V&E) Department, AP, Vijayawada
The Secretary to APVC, 5th Block, A.P. Secretariat, Hyderabad.
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